(b) what steps have been taken by Government to increase othe export to Japan;, and,

(c) what are the details of the export to Japan during the last three years amd the foreign exchange earned therefrom?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHID): (a) Mineral ores, Gems and Jewellery, marine products,- textiless engineering-; goods, chemicals' are- the -major items of Indian export to Japan;

(b) Steps to increase exports to Japan include periodical review of bilaterai trade,- exchange of delegations, participation' in international fairs and exhibitions-in Japan, organisation of Buyer-Seller Meets, Market Surveys etc.

(c) As per DGCI&Sts figures,, the details of Indian exports-to Japan from 1988-89 onwards, have been as, under:

1988-89 . .	Rs. 2161 90 Crs.
1989-90 . .	Rs. 2726.69 Crs.
1990-91 . .	Rs. 3025.25 Crs.

Export target set by MPEDA ,

1078. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target set by the Marine Products Export Development Authority for the export of marine products' during the last three years and actual achievement matde;

(b) whether any target has been fixed for the export of marine products by Marine Products Export Development Authority for 1991-92;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to achieve the target?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHID): (a) The target and: achievement in port of marine products during last three years are as follows:

Year	Export Volume		Export Value	
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
	(in M Tonnes)		(in Rs. Lakhs)	
1988-89	104500	99777	580	597.85
1989-90	158825	110843	850	634.94
1990-91	172250	138447	850	893.40

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Tentative target is Rs. 1500 crores.

(d) Besides continuing various developmental' and promotional ongoing schemes? Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPSb-DA) will take the following steps during the current year to achieve the target:

(i) Over 2000 hectare additional area to be broughlr undfer acquaculture.

(ii) 12 new hatcharies to be set up.

(iii) One modem feed mill to be established.

(iv) 5 Joint ventures in deep: *sea* fishing to be established.

(v) 13 deep sea fishing vessels to be inducted in Indian EEZ.;

(vi) 12vne»r plants for production of IQF shrimps to be launched.

Setting up of a Central University at Brahamputra valley in Assam

1080. *SHRI* BHADRESWAR,BUKA-G0HAW: Will the Minister of. HUMAN RESOUECE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has been made by the Union Government so far for setting up of the proposed Central University at the Brahamaputra Val ley in Assam;

(b) whether there are any hind-eranees in deciding site for the Uni-versitjr in- the Brahamaputra Valley; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE$_5$ MINISTRY. OF PARLJAMENp TARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRT RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGMiAlW): (a) Legislation has been enacted to establish a teaching and affiliating Centsai Uuiverrsity at Sifchar in Assam. The State; Gov-enrment has been requested to make land and other infrastructure facilities available for starting the University.- However, no decision-has been taken by Government ta establish another Ceirctral UniveirsMy*im* the Brahasnaputra Valley.

(b) and (e) Do not arise.

Medical Treatment for Artists/Writers

1080. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to stetet

(a) whether Government haveany provisions" far helping the artists/ writers who are. economically unsound for medical treatment; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER. OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEW SIDDHARTHA):
(a) and (b) The Ministry of Health and Family Weliare: have- not made any- special provisions for madical treatment of artists/writers; They can, however, avail of free medical facilities in the Central Government and State Government Hospitals, as available to members of: the public.

Admission of Students of Backward/ Hilly Communities in Professional Institutions

1081. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: WiU the Minister of HUMAN RESOUK6E DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a), whether there are any provisions fox helping the students of backward/hilly communities other than SC/ST in getting, admission in Medical, Engineering and other tech-meal institutions under the Central Government-; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE" MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENT-AK3P AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMAR AM ANGALAM): (a) and
(b) The Government of India have no scheme for helping students of backward/hilly communities other than SC/ST in getting admission to engineering/madtoal/other technical institutions under th$_e$ Central Gov ernment.